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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 6300.96.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

A. Bruno Frazier et al.

Serial No.: 09/787,498

Filed: March 16, 2001

For: SURFACE MICROMACHINED MICRONEEDLES

Confirmation No. 3953

Examiner: Kathryn Odland

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period that was set for responding to the Office Action dated October 3, 2003 be extended for three months until April 3, 2004.

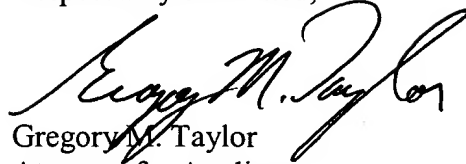
Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 including the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

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Dated this 2nd day of April 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory M. Taylor", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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